By Catharine Co.e, in N O. Picayune

At the last session of the Mississippi Legislature a bill was presented calling for a State Industrial Institute and College for the white girls of Mississippi, This bill had been drawn up by Senator. Martin, at the instance and solicitation of two Mississippi women-Mrs. Annie Peyton, of Hazlehurst, and Mrs. Hastings, of Port Gibson. The motion for the establishment of such an institution was entried by one vote. The bill possily received the signature of Gov. it provided for a free industrial netitute and college for girls, and set is the sum of \$40,000 to erect and eswish such an institution.

The various cities and towns of Miswere invited to bid for the lothe college. The bidding but the picturesque and ttle city of Columbus, the Athens of the South, sethe college by the generosity of Columbus volunteered to ve a beautiful, wooded park of twenty united right in the city, a large specied brick building, and fifty awand dellars in bonds that Columb shere offered to cash at par value.

The trustees of this new home advengreen behalf of women were appointed,

pictures quo and beautiful building, nor one that more readily commends itself blue flannel uniform under the direction of the power of a woman's tongue is by PRESIDENT E. O. THAYER, OF CLARK to the eye. The college is situated in the heart of the residence portion of the President of this college is Dr. R. antiered oak, and many a branching ments.

spiders creeping over the their way through college. apartments of the College girls. The womanly independence. old-fashioned, cheerless, bare dormitory wo windows with inside blinds, a steam heater, gas, a pretty set of shelves and a centre table, rocking chairs, and hand- army, the Young and Struggling. ome set of black walnut furniture. doors, hung the white walls with pic and bronze, and brown, and sear of leaf

dark pine wood, upheld by graceful woods, and the arched doorways at the end of the hall give respectively into china closets, and the great kitchen. numerous cook tables, stationary bread blazoned with the necessary implements The Professor of Cookery has not yet been appointed, but will be shortly.

In the basement are situated the steam aundries, ironing rooms and all the machinery that supplies the buildings with hot water, light and heat. The aundresses and cooks were secured from the Emigrants' Industrial Home at Louisville, having been carefully trained for their duties. In the laundry a fine invention is the clothes wringer, to which fitting themselves to be teachers. the principle of centrifugal force has been The drying rooms are a series of hot air closets and next to these are the mangles, and the long room devoted

to ironing purposes.

This great building, as large as the Touro Infirmary of New Orleans, is connected on each floor by covered porches beautiful hall is one of the handsomest buildings in design in the South. It buildings in design in the South. It looks not unlike some stately and commodious church, with its red walls pierced by numerous richly stained groups of gothic windows. Here, as elsewhere, the finishings are all in native elsewhere, the finishings are all in native low tints to the various rooms. The low tints to the various rooms are designs and who have are doing for the sex. But all along the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long the line of women workers, from Maine to Mexico, there must flash and long t chapel is heated by steam and lighted by electricity. The first floor is occupied by the President's and Secretary's offices and by half a dozen lecture rooms. The chemistry lecture rooms and laboratories are in the basement.

but studied in New York.

In the Departments of Telegraphy, Miss Ida Rush is the professor and has charge of large classes, telegraphy ranking in the school next to bookkeeping in popularity

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These latter are said to be the finest equipped of any laboratories in the South. They are provided with a series of work tables, each one arranged for two workers. Each table has a marble bowl and two faucets of running water, two gas jets and a special selection of two gas jets and a special selection chemicals and utensils for experiments.

There are also working tables sunk into the walls and provided with flues for carrying off injurious fumes. Behind these are cemented closets for storing chemicals and the private laboratory of

The main hall of this building occupies the entire second floor. It is a beautiful, oval-shaped hall, with a seatbeautiful, oval-shaped hall, with a seating capacity of 1500, with a groined ceiling of native woods, and the walls are filled by the great Gothic windows, through which the empurpled sunlight filters and floods the room with rich and joyous color. The stage, also backed by a group of windows, will seat two hundred persons, and there are two immense hanging galleries. The acoustic properties are perfect. This room can further

So far as I know, this case of the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College is the first instance in the history of the world where the rights of women to equal collegiate and industrial education

with men have been recognized before the law and equally provided for. The system of education, the training of the girls, the governmental system, the moral training. is as nearly allied as possible to that which is practiced in the great Universities for young men. It is the greatest experiment that has ever been made and; its success or failure will be a actical and conclusive answer to the vexed question of woman's ability to accept higher education. we found Miss Ellen Martin, Mistress of History and Philosophy, and a most accept higher education.

This State institution is free to the

white girls of Mississippi. Any girl over fifteen years of age, of good moral elsewhere, an admirable lecture system character, who can pass the necessary preliminary examinations, can have the benefits of this college. That is, every applicant must stand examinations in lesson or lecture hours. reading, spelling, writing, geography, history of the United States, practical ing accommodations for about 220 girls, ture, Language and Elecution. Miss offer, Pupils are charged with only the actual cost of their board, fuel, washing and flights. The housekeeper, at the end of each month, adds up the expenses of these and distributed by the expenses of pupils and teachers living in the class in dressmaking occupied one deep in his pocket was written:

college. The school has not been open window, and a class in ornamental two months as yet, but the cost for each pupil for the first month reached the asonishingly small sum of \$10.20. children in each county. Some counties, therefore, may send more girls than In the laundry, where the ironing room others, and these girls are entitled to is presided over by a gentle-voiced little board in the college; but the number of The Harrison a member of the Legisla in Columbus is unlimited. Every girl attending the college and taking the What keen, brave young eyes were lifted our and a citizen of Columbus, was ap attending the college and taking the counted Chairman of the Building Com- collegiate course is required to also take to mine in gentle greeting! tree, and in April of this year the any one industrial branch she may have intracts per specifications were award- a preference or talent for; but any girl d to the architects, Messrs. Bartlette, may enter college and devote all her years from now many a distinguished Moines, Iowa, and to the build- time to any industrial study, and need woman will tell to her little eager world "I beg your pardon, sir, but I could not thousands will be attracted to it as a - Mesors Sully, of Meridian, Miss. This not take the collegiate course at all. In all I know of the history of the be- this case she is not required to pass an goining of a college whose endowment examination. Instrumental music and through college; and those who listen house alone, I used to carry the child, children can be educated in safety.

and organization places Mississippi at a painting are the only accomplishments single bound at the head of the nation for which charge is made. Almost all in progressive ideas and action pertain- pupils are taking the regular collegiate into four departments-the collegiate, As one enters Columbus from these normal, industrial and music and fine arts. rost-ruined woods one perceives at the In the industrial branches the girls right of the town the multitudinous have a wide range to select from. They red, gabled roofs of a building that may perfect themselves in telegraphy, show above the tree tops like some stenography, typewriting, bookkeeping, which up shoots the red clock tower, pousse, leather work, photography, lationg to the Industrial College for pharmacy, dressmaking, millinery, cooking and printing. Whether taking the dining-roomful, but as the food had al-In all the South there is not a more dressmaking course or not each girl is! ready been served, their duties were

Columbus, on a broad, brown-graveled W. Jones, one of the most eminent edn. in the dining room. On the day before street, ornamented with elegant houses, cators and scholarly men in the South over arched by oak trees, and known and who abandoned the chair of chemis as Washington Avenue. The group of try at the Oxford State University to red and gray brick buildings begins in assume control of this work. All of the so largely due got up in a chair after the corner of the lot and about them other professors of the college are

green "loblolly" knitting its needles in I think that every woman who is truly The college is an immense red and desires this nation of working women to be taught to honor labor and be more proud of it than of anything else, will desire this nation of working women to be taught to honor labor and be more proud of it than of anything else, will labor at the proud of it than of anything else, will labor at each of the main point gained. Let us It is three stories and an feel a little thrill of enthusiasm when say it was the first money she had earned look at each of these points carefully. attic high, with a roof of piled gables. | she learns that it is the beneficent plan at | The huge clock with long black fin- this great school to allow women to work

white dial, is placed in the red belve- In order to inculate a proper respect ere or tower that rises above the for the home duties of women, each girl The building is modernized is required to assist in the dining-room and made cheerful by numerous porches work, in the serving of meals and washand galieries. The main entrance has ing of dishes, and must take care of her and gives into a wide hall, that in the household work that she chooses to do pupils in charge of a President, twelve and the method has sold been been unable to get in. shape of a cross intersects the main she is paid for by the housekeeper, at professors and a matron. Not only are lower descriptions to all the lone hundred and forty new faces and this building is thoroughly complete. Last month, many of the girls who had and wholesome course of collegiate there were a few respectable men, but ones. The desks of members were It is heated by steam, lighted by gas ironed, and washed paint, and scrubbed studies, but each and every one of them loaded with floral gifts from admiring It is heated by steam, fighted by gas ironed, and washed paint, and scrubbed and services, but each in the cambridge in the many friends, and Mr. Carlisle in the Speaker's floors, and sweet and has the most modern improvements in the way of bathrooms, hot and cold in the way of bathrooms, but and cold friends, and Mr. Carlisle in the Speaker's friends, and Mr. Carlisle in the Speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the many friends, and Mr. Carlisle in the Speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any prominent part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors, and sweet shows any part in the cambridge in the speaker's floors. ater, water closets, elevator, bells, as eight dollars each! and I write it to earning an independent livelihood.

Club, one thousand strong, was born in the members as they stood in a simi-clumb waiter and telephone. A shaft the everlasting honor of my sex and to

Ah, this first flight in among the

Accompanied by Judge Harrison There are two hundred and fifteen girls whose enthusiastic efforts have been boused in this building, and with that dedicated to the college, and by Mrs. innate donesticity of the sex these Jones, the wife of the honorable Presiyoung ladies have transformed their dent, I paid a long and delightful visit rooms into cheery and home like quar- of exploration to the college. Entering ters. Many have put carpets on the by the chapel doors, we found ourselves in a wide hall where a handsome young sures, set about their treasured books woman was superintending the unpack and bits of brie-a-brac, and have bloom- ing of a number of type-writing and ing plants growing in the deep window sewing machines that had been donated opened the doors of a great contage and sub-committees and sub-committ but chen we entered the charming in the world as intelligent, skilled workapartments, daintily furnished, that go women; become in training the equal of the next morning with an appropriate large, cheerful apartment, with the same summer atmosphere that pervades all the house, and comfortable and co

mented by large fireplaces of native said of most of the professors, whose thing hungry for a wider life, for an unsalaries are one thousand dollars per year. Just across the hall in a large lecture-

the cooking school, the pantries and room Miss Ruth Roudebush was holding a class in book-keeping. Miss Roudebush The cooking school is fitted up with a haf 125 young women who have selected range dainty enough for a lady's boudoir, this for their future profession, and who are studying, she tells me, in the bravest the study and be ready to accept positions in one year. Of the 300 girls attending college, the majority are taking book-keeping as an industrial course.

This preference is probably not the result of consideration, since most of a brush, or a needle. A large number are also taking the normal course and ciation a yearly fee of one dollar, and ciation a y

dustrial and Decorative Art, has about lege while she perfects herself in some thirty girls who have wisely determined industrial branch. When the pupil has lunch-rooms at various points, and fed to become adepts at designing for carpet finished her course, and by its means thousands of Prohibition workers and become self supporting, she may. if in thousands of Prohibition workers and become self supporting, she may if in thousands of Prohibition workers and become self supporting, she may if in thousands of Prohibition workers and become self supporting, she may if in thousands of Prohibition workers and become self supporting the properties of the factories, cloth mills, etc. It will take become self supporting, she may. If inthese girls from two to three years to complete the course, and when they have graduated from Columbus College girl for the stern duties of living. We supplications went up to heaven for his have graduated from Columbus College girl for the stern duties of living. We supplications went up to heaven for gress is an expensive necessity. Every hear great talk of what the women of the stern duties of living. We supplications went up to heaven for gress is an expensive necessity. Every hour of a session costs, what would be a was that her big sister Christiana had low of the stern duties of living. We supplications went up to heaven for gress is an expensive necessity. Every hour of a session costs, what would be a was that her big sister Christiana had low of the stern duties of living. We supplications went up to heaven for gress is an expensive necessity. Every hour of a session costs, what would be a was that her big sister Christiana had small fortune to these prayers made Thanks small fortune to the average working. have graduated from Columbus College

Two of the most remarkable women in

miss Victoria Hill, a bright faced, healthy looking young girl, full of life and intelligence, matured intellectually by rigorous studies, has made a national reputation for herself by graduating with first honors over the young men collegians at Oxford. Her appointment to the chair of chemistry was a well earned honor that every woman will religious at. There is no department of the

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scholarly woman, giving a lesson to the Normal class. In this department, as Jackson, Miss., to whom all contri Department should be addressed.

prevails. The pupils, as in men's universities, study in their rooms or where offered a guinea each to ten destitute they please, only visiting classrooms at families who were, and always had been, One of the most cultured young wo-Orr's lectures on literature are said to be

glimpses into cheerful rooms where girl Liverpool received over two hundred city were aroused and united and deter-Each county in the State is entitled students were bending at their tasks, letters from fathers and mothers, all mined to win. send a certain number of girls to the conning lessons in algebra, problems in over England, asking for a description of The incidental results of the campaign description of the country of their private apartments desolated by strong drink!

In encodental results of the campaign and that young man. How suggestive is this are of wonderful interest and value. Other cities and towns in Georgia have desolated by strong drink! "Don't go, Father." lady, were eight or ten young women Many a great man boasts that he her father's arms.

worked his way through college. Ten

Ten girls were seated at each table. had influence, I could not held saying, now be stopped who had hitherto pro-Two young ladies waited on the whole 'That's true, sir.' "- What Cheer. claimed that the Negro was incapable of manifest in the fact that these young ladies are not permitted to talk while Thanksgiving the housekeeper, Mrs. Edwards-to whose wonderful management the ample success of the college is dinner and called for young ladies wil-

in her life. At the close of dinner all left the

courtesy that no acribition nor learning blue and those who were the red that it nor famous station can divorce from excited general comment.

thing hungry for a wider life, for an un-known culture, begged not to be sent away sadily. More than one young best physicians, stating that they were nistic to its policy. During the reading of the message, which occupied one hour of the message of the messag pitiful cry that it it was not the college,

it would be the cotton field that would become her fate in life. The cry and the story of the young girl's clamors for the beneficent culmothers of the State, that was as noble stories of the ruinous effects of Prohibiand as brave as that of any Spartan tion in other States and in surrounding President's positive stand on silver woman whose fame is crystalized in towns of Georgia. This was followed makes it almost certain now that woman whose tame is crystalized in history. And at once these Mississippi women began to organize county indus women began to organize county indus. The subject to come before Congress. It fitting themselves to be teachers.

Miss Sallie McLaurin, Mistress of Industrial and Decorative Art, has about long deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college while she perfects herself in some logical to the location and voting and the location and voting deserving girl to pay her way in the college way in the college while she perfects herself in some location and voting and the location and v

Had Her Teeth Put Back.

A correspondent writes to the Scientific American describing a sied acci-dent by which a 10-year old girl had two upper front teeth knocked out. She was taken to a dentist, who re-Two of the most remarkable women in the college are Miss M. J. Calloway, Mistress of Mathematics, and Miss Victoria Hill, Mistress of Chemistry. Miss Calloway is one of the most learned women in the South, but never was a woman so unaffectedly gentle in manner, or so thoroughly environed in that modesty of demeanor that does not forsake the true woman, whatever her station or

Here is an exquisite story that Richard Grant used to tell to illustrate the native courtesy of well-bred Americans: "When Gen, Washington was in New England he was entertained at

TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT, and thither for voters; men were per-STED BY REV. C. G. ANDREWS, D. D., was made by both parties to poll as as many votes as possible, until finally the polls were closed, and the result an-

moving to follow the good example set

public sentiment in favor of temper-

victory. Atlanta has been well adver-

claimed that the Negro was incapable of

suffrage. During the campaign white and

day white ladies served lunches to white

and colored alike from the same tables.

It has been proven that there is a better

class of colored people, who cannot be

bought, but who will stand with their

respectable white friends when any great

moral question is at stake. The noble

conduct of, the colored people of At-

lanta bas lifted the whole race nearer to

the coveted goal of equal rights as

Christian citizens, and has shown how

alone that goal can be reached by al-

Our Washington Letter

Washington, Dec. 11, 1885.

Since I wrote you the Forty-Ninth

liance with the good and the true.

Atlanta, Ga.

olored people mingled in the audiences and on the platform, and on election

when we consider the obstacles to be over-come. The fight was against a business total abstainers from intoxicating liquor. Only nineteen applications were rein which about \$700,000 was invested men of Columbus, Miss Pauline Orr, in ceived from all England. After careful and mental arithmetic and English grammar. The college furnishes boarding accommodation of the United States, practical men of Columbus, Miss Pauline Orr, in ceived from all England. After careful investigation, but six of them were \$100,000, against a brewery, several found to conform to the condition of the large wholesale liquor-houses, and about one hundred groggeries; against the owners and friends of the Kimball House, Atlanta's pride, whose main-How Many. tainance depends on the success of the each month, adds up the expenses of these, and divides it by the otal number of pupils and teachers living in the college. The additional magnificent bar-room, if report is true; the Mersey, drowned. On a paper found in his pocket was written: "A wasted white and colored, unable to reason, but life. Do not ask anything about me. casily bought. No contest of the kind

needlework another. And as we passed down the long halls we had pleasant me rot." Within a week the coroner of

by the capital city. The eloquent A gentleman, lecturing in the neighorbood of London said: "Everybody has influence, even that ance which cannot be estimated. The little child," pointing to a little girl in moral results of the agitation of the "That's true," cried the man. tised all over the world, and probably At the close he said to the lecturer:

how she, at ironing-board and with heip speaking. I was a drunkard; but city of enterprise and moral strength, scrubbing brush, helped work her way as I did not like to go to the public and a good place for homes, where will know that when she beat at these As I approached the public house one The absence of bloodshed or riot simple tasks, the brave-hearted, un- night, hearing a great noise inside, she on an election day of such intense pupils are taking the regular collegiate course. The course of study is divided into four departments—the collegiate, to work and well-loved ones to ly I felt a big tear falling on my cheek. contest than the colored people. By At 1 o'clock 215 young women filed I could not go a step farther, sir. I their fidelity to principle they proved into the dining hall. A long array of turned round and went home, and I that they are worthy of the trust. The health and beauty and courage and in- have never been in a public house since white people recognized the manliness tellect they seemed. A bonny, whole -thank God for it! I am now a happy of their conduct and are loud in their strangely huddled tiny village. These drawing, designing, modeling, wood some lot of well-born young women man, sir, and this little girl has done it praises. Governor Colquitt, in a speech, peaked and picturesque roofs, through carving, engraving, needlework, re- representing creditably their State. all; and when you said that even she said that the mouths of thousands would

> Prohibition Victory in Atlanta UNIVERSITY.

Victory for the right was the glorious result on Wednesday, November 25, of the most remarkable contest against the iquor traffic ever waged in this or any country. It was remarkable in respect to the character of the contestants, toe trails a magnificent park—a park with women, and they represent the very flower of culture, refinement and distinguished ability in their various departsented thomselves. These girls, many great obstacles overcome by the temper-I think that every woman who is truly interested in the cause of women, who desires this nation of works women, who desires this nation of works. These girls, many ance side, the arguments of facts brought out for use in similar campaigns else-

There was a very clear line of demarcation between the men arrayed on dining room save the three girls from either side In the temperance phalanx Congress has begun its first session. Its each table whose duty it is to wash were drawn up all the clergy, white and opening scenes did not differ widely each table whose duty it is to wash the dishes and put the room in order, a business men, and skilled mechanics. from those of past sessions. As usual business men, and skilled mechanics. work that is finished always in half an On the anti-Prohibition side were the and crowded the spectators galleries. brewers, wholesale and retail liquor As usual, hundreds went away disapwill be seen that the institution has 300 dealers, owners of real estate rented by pointed unable to get in. these girls being subjected to a rigorous lower elements of the city. Of course, one hundred and eighty-five familiar took any prominent part in the cam- friends, and Mr. Carlisle in the Speaker's

extends from the top floor to the basement; it has openings on each floor and is intended for the conveyance of soiled is intended for the conveyance of soiled. The everlasting honor of my sex and to ber with 300 pupils. So far it has proved to be a successful, healthful, admirably conducted institution. It is inen, etc., to the laundries. Besides estimation of that army of girls, but pervaded, in class-room and private states Senators, judges, and professors; tomed desks. On the Democratic side dining room, parlors, matron's room, and that every girl seemed the more to honor ap rement, in social hall and parlor, by infirmary and culinary departments, and respect that one who had the grit an unmistakable atmosphere of refinethis building contains the sleeping and patience to make her first effort at ment. The dominant sentiment that bared by thousands ment and patience to make her first effort at ment. The dominant sentiment that bared by thousands ment and patience was clear because of duty animates coilegian and professor is one bered by thousands, were composed of Secretary Bayard; Senator Walthall, of done, of lessons learned and of scales of nobility and high mindedness. It has the best white gentlemen and ladies of Mississippi, sat in Secretary Lamar's practiced, she was thinking pleasantly of nobility and high mindedness. It has already been proved in this college that already been proved in this college that ble colored people; while the other con-Arkansas, was in the possession of the Apretty picture. stead are numberless cozy, cheery and made it can tell how hard it is, how than a man's sense of honor is no less night sisted of a few hundreds of men interdess that Attorney General Garland bright, merino wrapper, her brown than a man's. Throughout all these ested in the sale or use of which and summy rooms, providing for two occu- sweet its certain triumph! May all the halis one feels the gracious, charm. ested in the sale or use of whisky and gave up for a Cabinet portfolio. The eyes fixed upon the snowy landscape, the lawset elements of the colored popular than a man's. ing presence of woman and is conscious the lowest elements of the colored popu- Chamber was draped in mourning for where a large troop of robins were disof her subtle influences for good, of her lation. So marked was the difference in Mr. Hendricks, and Senator Sherman porting themselves amid a haze of bare and a kindly thought for that great, shy instinctive refinement, geatleness and the appearance of those who wore the sat in the late Vice-President's chair.

Now that the college is fairly under paign, on the part of the Prohibitionists, usually good showing for the new body. little cot across the meadow, which way the Mississippians generally ex- are worthy of study by all engaged in The present Congress bids fair to be a once, in her mind, she had compared hibit patriotic pride in it. They are such work. The organization of the memorable one. It assembled under to a toad-stool, did not enter into the nounced step of any State in the Union in behalf of women. They have an in behalf of women. They have an in behalf of women in behalf of women in behalf of women in behalf of women. They have an in behalf of women in behal nounced by a most noble act that they companies and squads, each with its House and a Democratic President, and den beneath shadowy eaves, another recognize no sex in intellect. They have officers, and all knowing their special the party is charged with the responsiopened the doors of a great college and duties. The work was so divided among bility growing out of this conjunction. were large and blue and plaintive, your brother: Accept independence. the next morning with an appropriate defence, regulating the counting of the and timidly. She thought that Ethel, ing in all its appointments.

The dining-room on the first floor is a fine hall of noble proportions with a beautiful ceiling of panels of light and lark pine wood, upheld by grazeful lark pine wood lark pine wood lark pine wood what an eager, restive throng besieged it at once. How the young ones clamored at a card stating that business was unusually good, signed by nearly all the lark pine wood what an eager, restive throng besieged it at once. How the young ones clamored at once. How the young ones clamored at the totor of the wood what an eager, restive throng besieged it at once. How the young ones clamored at once. How the young ones clamored at once was unusually good, signed by nearly all the lack to a year ago. She had never was unusually good, signed by nearly all the lack to a year ago. She had never was unusually good, signed by nearly all the lack to a year ago. She e wood, upheld by graceful that this young lady gets a man's pay This room is further ornative large fireplaces of native large f

back. More than one girl sent out the architects denied over their signatures and three quarters, the sentiments of that the prospects for building were many Congressmen on the various quesdestroyed, and several firms engaged in tions could be determined by their ex manufacturing building material who pressions of countenance. Those who had been reported by the liquor men as agreed with the President that the con-"shut down," requested to be allowed to tinued coinage of silver is an evil, exture and training of the college met state that they were running to the changed nods of approval, while the with a response from the wives and fullest capacity. Again came doleful believers in silver scowled and otherwise women began to organize county indus mittees on Facts," showing that the will doubtless provoke a long debate for associations are branches of a similar abolition of the liquor traffic had been the advocates of silver coinage and its associations are branches of a similar everywhere a blessing. Other commit-enemies are both determined.

The Senate has settled down to busi-Martin, Professor in the college, is Presi-

night and on Sunday afternoon filled Sam Jones' great "Gospel Tent." On one occasion, while Dr. Felton was speaking, six hundred colored voters, headed by a band, marched into the tent, while the five thousand present set up a deafening shout that lasted for several minutes. Men said such scenes of the server head never head have the server head never head have the server head never head no minutions went to the Senate on Thursday for confirmation. It comprised about these hundred names, a number of foreign appointments heading the list. They are not of a character that stand in danger of being opposed. The President shows his usual wisdom in holding back for the present such nominations as may provoke contests nominations as may provoke contests and delay in the action of the Senate. Of the Cabinet officers' annual reports, excitement had never been know here, excitement had never been know here, even in the hottest political contests. The election was the topic of coversation everywhere, absorbing every other question. A proposition to enter upon any new undertaking was always met with the reply: "No use trying to do anything till after the election." The registration was several thousand larger than in any Presidential election, showing the great interest taken in the struggle. On the night before the election the whisky men organized an immense torchlight procession, and the procession and delay in the action of the Senate.

Of the Cabinet officers' annual reports, those of Attorney-General Garland and Secretary Lamar were the last sent to the President. Rarely has a Departmental report received so much favorable comment as that of Mr. Lamar. Misgivings in regard to his fitness for the large, complex and practical Department of the Interior, were freely expressed at the time of his appointment. They have given way to the conviction that he is the right man for the place.

struggle. On the night before the election the whisky men organized an immense torchlight procession, and marched a great body of poor white and degraded colored men to a vacant depot, where they fed them and drugged them with liquors till morning, when they were taken to the polls and voted in a solid column. The colored churches, to counteract this moyement, kept "open house" all night, with wholesome food and good advice, and sent great companies of voters to the pollssinging songs of triumph. As they marched along their nest appearance and intelligent faces were in striking contrast to the bauch at the depot. All day long the contest raged. Everybody was in the most intense excitement; free carriages, decked in blue or red, hurried hither

Keeping Christmas.

"Mary, look in yonder drawer in that old codar chest.

And bring me from the stockings there of the children's best: of the children's test:

I'd hang them in the chimney jam
won't be in the way.

And fill them after 12 to-night-toCuristmas Day. The victory is all the more remarkable

Was ever so fine a boy as that? be makes the whole house riad;

He'll get a knife and a pair of skates—the boy will have his way,
I promised them a year ago, and to-morrow's
Christmas Day.

And Bessie-merry little lass-my precious Sunday child.
There's nothing seed enough for her-and Kate, the wilful-wild;
And baby-bere's a rattle-bex-she's most too But we mustu't leave the darling out-row's Christmas Day.

A Bible for my Sun lay girl, a doll for saucy Kate, And lots of other things besides—books, pencis, toys and slate:
Come, John, and help me write their namesyou'll have their smiles for pay—
And maybe they've got a gift for you—to
morrow's Christmas Day.

John's gone? Gone where? You're joking now. John out on Christmas eve? Gone out and left me here alone! ne'er saying by your leave? Why, Mary, hass-jou're old-you've lived too long-nay! nay! You never knew my John forget-to-morrow's Christmas Day. peeches and the convincing arguments brought forth have awakened a I-wish-the children-were awake-it scomquestion are worth the price paid for the

solonesome here.
And yet they're better safe usleep—there's nought for me to fear:
And in the mern we'll go to church, it's always been our way.
And each will wear the holly green—to-morrow's Christmas Day. hear the telling of a bell! who's dead, aged I'm sure it's none of mine, and yet-what is it brings the tears?
That bell—it has a solemn tone—so faint and

Why, all the bells will ring to-night-to-mor-row's Christmas Day. Dead! dead! and gone away from me? Mary, my dear, you're right, Yet somehow I had most forgot sitting alone to-night;
It used to be so gay—so gay, before John went away,
And took the children home—Mary—to-m
row's Christmas Day,

You needn't hang the stockings up-yesremember all;
Hush, children dear—there's semething wrong—there's Tom, he's grown so tall.
And Bessie sitting in you chair—she suil es in reasoning and unworthy of the right of the old way

The old way.

I know now why she's dressed in whit morrow's Carlstmas Day." They found her dreaming by the hearth, "go tuck the children in: I'd have them just as safe from cold, as now

-Mrs. M. L. Rayne. Christmas Stockings.

ber graves had long ago been mad

"The stockings were hung by the chimner with care."

That How graceful and fragile it looks by its

PLAYING SANTA CLAUS. Ethel had seen nine bright and happy years. Christmas was coming, and, like many another little girl, whose

A pretty picture she made in her The first roll call revealed but five was a child who had taste for the absentees in the House-four from the graceful and the beautiful, hence, it The methods of conducting the cam- South and one from the North. An un- was not wonderful that the humble

> There is much important work shead with no warm lights in them, but like She was looking straight at the window where Ethel stood wonderingly like a very angel; and her mind went tial. But the story and the day were mas was like all other days to her, but | did all they could for ber. in her heart of hearts she was secretly sure she could tell something about it when she looked at Ethel's face.

She was a strong-souled little creaher own little yearnings like other children. Older tolks, she reflected, could not understand why the world was made as it was; then why should she had a doll.

Once Andy Pell, her uncle, had given her one, to be sure, but it was only than a doll. If only you had a warm tallow, and as she rocked it by the fire one windy night, as her sister Christi- Iana always rocked her baby, the tow she thought hard of herself because of The House is discussing how to work away to a very much younger child,

trouble, and she could not have even a ence. She had prayed for it some-times, too, but it did not seem that it

And now Ethel disappears from the window, and poor Elsie's dream of poesy goes with her, and she strains her eyes in an eager gaze, in the hope that she will return; and ere long she to it. Then she folded her hands and returns and Elsie shrinks back with a nestled down among her furs in such a great throbbing in her throat, for the child in the big house is looking over that Elsie was tempted to-run over and

her from her cozy seat near the open fireplace. She too admired her pretty daughter, in her klyllic attitude, leaning so pensively against the embrasure; but a twinkle of mischief lurked in her eye as she exclaimed quite suddenly:
"A penny for your thoughts, little said she, awed at her own impudence. "I was thinking of Santa Claus and

and oh, don't you know, mamma?" said she, starting and flushing. "Yes, I know," said her mamma very quietly and softly. "Let me see how old is my Ethel?" "Why mamma, ten in June," ex-claims Ethel in surprise.

claims Ethel in surprise.

"Ten years old," said her mamma glancing dubiously downward. "I fear I have kept my Ethel a baby too long. Tell me what there can be in such an odd, capricious, not-to-be-depended-upon personage so to occupy my daughter's thoughts?"

"Why, mamma!" cried Ethel, running and playfully placing her hand upon her mother's lips. "Stop! Isn't he the dearest, the best, the merriest, the—why mamma, not-to-be-depended-

to fall in my dear mamma's good "Do you suppose that if there existed such a being-"Existed!" cried Ethel, interrupting

in consternation.
"Well, then," said Mrs. Allwin gazed at her doll as though she feared quizzically, "If Santa Claus were the it was a dream that would vanish being your fancy has been taught to paint him, do you think he would forever spend his time in visiting the tenderly-cared-for children of the wealthy, while many poor children ery piteously | we'll both love you all the days of our for bread? Ethel looked serious now.

"Does he never visit poor children, and her papa's coachman came in and mamma? set down a little girl's chair and table "No, my dear; I am certain it was and a doll's bureau, and then went out not with thoughts of our poor neigh- and brought in two pasteboard boxes, bor, Hill, that your mind was occupied which, as Ethel gently pushed Elsie in when your eyes followed objects in the landscape just now. Yet I know by the wistful look which I can see plainly on a little face at the window, that | for Dollie. that child scarcely knows the meaning of Christmas.

"Why, mamma, that must be Elsie followed with a barrel of flour, and it Hill. Wait till I see if it is not," she was time for the older Hills to open eried, running to the window to assure | their eyes, for there was creature com-"Yes, but she has gone as if fort laid upon their rickety table, sad face it is! Oh, it can't be that I am to have everything and that dear little thing nothing. I would rather give up my Christmas."

"Oh, Tony! why did you not wait till am to have everything and that dear they began to overwhelm her with blessings. Then Ethel ran over to blessings. Then Ethel ran over to of mine was invited about August to I frightened her away. What a sweet | which made its legs bend.

promise to help her out, for she was mas tree" in her ear, and vanished alled away, leaving Ethel in a brown from the door quick as a wink. study, which did not last long, for she "I have it! I need not give up my

Christmas, for papa would be displeased and call it romantic. Surely, I've lots of money in my bank!"

She ran and took the bank from its money. hiding-place, and behold! when she broke it upon the hearth, it was empty of all save a few coins. She had forgotten that a lovely doll's carriage, purchased a few weeks ago, had ex-

object to my spending my Christmas money as I pleased. As to the tunic, hausted the exchequer. I did not think that would be noticed, In the course of a few nights a little and used the money you gave me for oratorio, for some charitable purpose, Elsie before you gave me the Christwas given by the children of the town. mas money. Ethel, with her fair face and wonderful child soprano-what a Miriam she

"She is lovely," was the universal verdict. "How well she comprehends he noble role for so small a child! how radiantly she becomes her costume! A father. triumph, indeed!" was repeated over money? It was not much." and over by the delighted listeners. But a waisper went around among approve of buying toys for poor peo-some vinegary - faced personages: ple's children; but I am a child my- managing partners had a dinner party. "Stuff" her tunic is only paper mus- self and can imagine how happy they and knew that the boys had all gone

"What!" said another, "the daughter of Paul Ailwin dressed in paper muslin?" quite in contempt; "well, 1 sake of that poor family." do say!" And then, in another strain: a queen should!" and so on.

Paul Ailwin happened to be in sufficiently near proximity to overhear one her the events of the evening, her eyes | ing his own health. He cologized himor two remarks, and comprehended swam with tears. She then rehearsed | self in the most approved style, and handsome face, and he turned inquir- Ethel about Santa Claus. ingly to his wife, saying angrily, some-"What can all this nonsense mean? need of enforcing the lesson further.

I supplied Ethel with money for the By-by," said he, hurrying out of the silk. It is impossible that she should the city, leaving his wife, with Tony have misused the money." "Hush, dear," said his wife softly; tree as usual. it must be all right." "But it-" ne persisted, only Mrs. Ailwin placed her hand so pleadingly were hanging upon its limbs which

on his arm that he forebore to persist ng with many pleasant words expres- variety, and, much to her surprise, sive of their parental pride in her

"But your costume dear!" said her mamma, in gentle deprecation. "Oh, mamma!" she exclaimed, and raised her eyes filled with penitent tears, "I did not intend to mortify you. and I did not wear the paper muslin to please myself quite exactly, only-Her sobs were choking her,

These were inscribed: so her papa said caressingly: "No matter, dear; tell me about it ome other time. By the way, you have made me so proud of you, you may tell me what you want for your Christmas. "Now, papa?" cried Ethel, smiles. ike April sunshine, breaking suddenly hrough her tears.

"Yes, miss, this minute. "Then I want nothing but silver ieces, to do as I please with-that is, f you are willing, papa." "Well, well; this is an odd request. So you wish to take your Christmas intemperance forces was perfect, and every circumstances fraught with significance substance of her musings, so that it to your own hands, do you? But, now I have promised, I will not retract. Here is your Caristmas money now. Spend it in the way that will make you

bounded away to count her money. "I would give her more, dear child, but we have the poor to remember,

and she has enough for selfish pleasure. It was Christmas Eve, and Elsie, the woodcutter's child, weary of watching the many lights that blazed from the from her modest little covert very swift sleighs skimming over the snow with their mercy bells, had slipped ous fairy day, that never forgot to over to her box by the old fireplace. She was crying quietly as she could. Santa Claus, so good and yet so par- She did not wish to disturb her parents with ner troubles, for she had a thankall a legend to the poor child-Christ- ful little heart, and she was sure they

"Pleasant times for the rich folk, ished his homely meal," but our little bird gets none of it," and he passed ture, and yet she had her little wants, the back of his sleeve across his eyes, and then pushed up the long lock of hair which fell over his forehead. "Why papa," cried Elsie, vexed that she had been observed, "I am a foolshe? But she could not help wishing | ish, sellish girl to cry. You and mamma are so good to me. And there is sister Christiana's baby, that is better

Here there came a knock at the hair caught fire, and the face became so dreadfully changed that, although taps. Eisie shrank half frightened into as small a space as possible chimney corner. Mr. and Mrs. Hill for it afterward, and so had given it looked at each other blankly, and it was so still, inside the room and out, that the latch seemed to lift of its own accord, and there, right before them, small fortune to the average working a real, live baby that was not much till Ethel's voice rang musically man. To simplify its methods of prothrough the room, saying: "Snall I come right in?" while she smalled sweetly as she caught sight of Elsie.
"Yes, miss, and welcome. A merry was to be, so she tried, then, all she Christmas to you. Excuse wife—she's lands were taken from them by fraud; sion almost perfect. This particular.

> of the best wooden chair and placing touch her downy cape with her clean, Ethel's mamma had been watching slender fingers, and did so caressingly.
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> Oh, how lovely!" said she in delight. "Oh, I'm so glad you're here!" and she spanned her chest with her fragile hands, clasped by the four fin-

gers, after a queer fashion all her own; "but you did not come to see mer" "Oh, yes!"
"'Deed an' double?" "Yes, indeed," said she, smiling neerily. "I am sorry I did not come cheerily. "I am sorry I did not come before; but I have been thinking of coming a good long while." "Oh, my!" said Elsie; "how ele-

gant! an' I never knew a word about "I did not know whether you

concealing. The paper fell off and re-vealed to Elsie's astounded eyes a very beautiful and expensive doll in levely

as she lay the doll in her arms.

"Tony!" called Ethel out the door,

Wheels stopped and Tony entered

trong arms and lifted up.

ly, "you have been listening.

money and was sure you would not

She hung her head.

marks-

would make Elsie.

scribed "Ethel."

called a sything than selfish.'

"For a child so sensitive to good in-

"FOR THE HILLS.

FROM

ETHEL'S PAPA AND MAMMA.

cratic stride and was walking out.

"Pay! What do you mean? Pay!"

"the ferocity of our greatest enemy."

The Widow's Wit.

'Yes, pay!

anged that gong.

get their rights.

Poor Elsie's eyes flew open to a terrible width. She bit her lips and doubled up her hand, lest in her hun-

"Christmas is coming." thinks little Tim.
But what can the Christmas do for him?
His home is a ceilar, his daily bread
The crumbs that remain where the rich are
fed. ger for it she snatch it suddenly from the giver.

When she could command herself, she held out her arms very tenderly, saying, in a dazed way: No mother to kiss him when day is done, No place to be glad in under the sun.

That wenderful fellow, old "Santa Claus,"
Who never is idle a moment, because
He is kept so busy with piling the toys
Into the stockings of girls and boys,
No wender he sometimes forgets, you know,
into the houses of the puor to go. Is your Christmas gift to lend or "Oh, to keep!" cried Ethel joyously, Elsie's heart was so full she could

But, dear little children, you understand That the rich and poor all over the land Have one dear Father who watches you, And grieves and smiles at the things you d And some of His children are poor and sad, And some are always merry and glad. not speak. Tears stood upon her lashes, and seeming to forget the world about her, she went slowly over

Christmas will bring you many joys— Food and pienty, froite and toys; Christmas to some will bring nothing at all, In place of hinghter the tears will fall. Poor little Tim to your door may come, Your blessings are many; spare him some. "Oh, Miss Ethel," she said, never looking up, you are a real, true angel, and I shall call my doll Ethel, and The Christmas bell will sweetly ring The comp that the angels love to sing.
The song that the angels love to sing.
The song that came with the Saviour's birth,
Peace, good will, and love on earth?
Dear little children, ring, I pray.
Sweet bells in some lonely beart that day.

A Queer Christmas Dinner.

Christmas time is a particular time in the Oriental settlement. The forparties are the rage, and nobody dines alone for a month. These dinner parwith a large market basket, and a man | ties are arranged a long way ahead, so followed with a barrel of flour, and it as to prevent trouble, and every "mess" knows how it is going to be with them. In most houses in Shanghai, a few years ago, I presume it is so

It was many years since that a friend Mrs. Aliwin smiled and kissed her Elsie, partly to hide her confusion and of mine was invited about August to child upon the forehead, but did not whispered something about a "Christ- eat his Christmas dinner with another friend. The inviter, I am sorry to remark, was a little tight when he gave Outside she was caught in a pair of the invitation, and forgot it. The "Papa!" she exclaimed reproachful-"You have been listening." Christmas night he donned his swal-low-tail and walked himself down to "Yes; so this accounts for the paperhis friend's house. The junior mess dining-room was dark. He walked inmuslin tunie and your Christmas to the parlor, as it is customary among bachelors there, and rang the bell for "Yes, papa; I had not enough

the China boy. "No got dinner this side to-night?" "No. Alle man have gone out.

COLU He puzzled a minute. He had refused all other invitations and had nowhere to go. A bright idea seized him. He had been asked to a dinner, "But the girls on the stage must and he wanted to have it. He ordered have observed the tunic and made re- the servant to lay the cloth and give him his dinner. As there was cooking "I would not have minded that if for the senior mess, this was easy you and mamma had not noticed it." enough. He sat all alone at the head "I do not understand," said her of the table. He ordered his Sauterne, enough. He sat all alone at the head "Why did you not ask for the his claret, and his champagne, and "Because I feared you would not Burgundy. No record of those proout. As he and his friends sat drink-"So you are glad in your heart that ing their port they heard strange you forego your Christmas for the neises in the adjacent dining-room. He stole into the corridor and peeped "Yes, very, father," said Ethel, with | through the half-open door. There at "Well, whatever it is, she carries it as a radiant face. "I would rather be the head of the table stood my friend with a glass of wine in his hand. He When Ether's mother had related to was making a speech. It was proposin a loud, unsteady voice, "For He's s

fluence, wife," said he, "there is no Presently he rose again. one all embroidered of silk is Miss dressmaker, with money for the By-by, said he, hurrying out of the Syne, he said. He did, and departed front door in time to catch a train to Next morning when the late Christmas stragglers came home in the daylight and a maid's assistance to dress the they found him in his dress suit sitting in a tree outside fast asleep .- San In the morning Ethel hastened early Francisco Chronicle.

> to the tree, in order to see what trifles The most successful Christmas-trees treasures, and was not disappointed. the way of effect are to be seen in There were dainties of every shape and Germany. One fancies them laden

with toys on branches projecting symmetrically out on both sides of the modestly hidden among the branches and wrapped in tissue paper, were trees, graduating into a pyramidal shape at the top, crowned with a star and A shapeless mass of articles were thrown across a sofa, which, upon examining, Ethel found to be a workman's warm overcoat and stout mittens, a warm gown and a child's cape and hood, also some good blankets. other ornaments. Not only is the ab-

silver paper, colored balls, etc., which with us have somewhat succeeded the heavy toys, especially in the decoration Tony's charge, with an invitation to To those who have neither the means Eisie to come and view the tree. Tony nor the opportunity to possess the rode her back on Ethel's sled, and on that Christmas morning there were an effect by this last style of ornament, not two happier children in the world

transparencies, designs in gilt and

suggestions that come from a number of beautiful Christmas-trees seen in Germany, may not come amiss. The effect of a Christmas-tree, as Long years ago, when the late displayed in a German saloon, does not actor struggling with the dramatic room is considered as a background, chills and fever common to actors in and nothing is left undone that can the early stage of their career, it came | add to the enhancement of the beauty on suddenly very cold for him once, of the tree. Sometimes the whole room, and he had nothing to memorize ex- at least that part of it in which the tree cept the bills of fare hung outside of stands, is draped in such colors as the restaurants of the period. Ambi- shall throw out the tree to the best ad-

tion left his mind and settled in the vantage. gastric juices of his stomach. He had We remember one little saloon whose no money to satisfy it. He neglected windows ranged along one side of the the theatrical posters and studied, room. The three windows were draped "Ham and Eggs, 50 cents," and with crimson red cortains. The wa egends of that kind. It was early paper was a rich gold in color, softdays in San Francisco, and they had a ened by figures laid in in a darker tint. practice of sounding a gong at meal Against the background of yellow and times to inform the neighborhood that crimson stood the tree. This reached the meals were on. Charley was pass- to the high ceiling. There were but ing disconsolately along, when a man three styles of ornaments upon it. Soft, rushed out of a restaurant and banged white cotton wool pulled out to proa gong in his ear. He stopped, walked duce the effect of snow. This was laid in, sat down with the air of a lord in a upon the limbs in the most dexterous society drama and ordered and ate a fashion, producing a perfect illusion royal meal. He was through, and of snow. Powdered glass or diamond sticking his hand in the breast of his dust covered the surface. coat, he put on a dignified and aristo- | was lit from top to bottom with colored "Look here," said the proprietor, was magical. Another tree had a backgently intercepting him, "Don't you ground of white muslin. A frieze, so to speak, of white sheets. This continued around the room. Along its upper edge a wreath of greens was impression. Pay! No, certainly not!" baize dado, dividing it from the frieze, "What in thunder did you come in here for and eat a meal like that?" was a row of Christmas cards, the gathering of years, belonging to the differ-"I came," said Charley, drawing ent members of the family. The tree himself to his full height, "I came on was alive with small red flowers and your invitation. I came because you yellow candles. On inspection, the effect of holly was found to have been And with a stride that paralyzed the produced by kernels of popped corn. roprietor, he passed out into the These, originally white, had been dyed bright world .- san Francisco Chron- a bright red, each flower or kernel held by a light wire stem. These kernels were grouped in small and large bunch-King Leopold's new state on the es, or peoped out singly from under the Congo is not to be allowed to have all foliage.

its own way without twenty-three na- needed to bring out the red flowers, knowing the reason why. These chiefs the yellow candles. Another tree, although not so pretty Portugal praying for deliverance from in effect, yet suggestive in ideas, had a unique background of crimson chintz. The spectacle of twenty-three black The frieze laid upon this color was kings, all in a towering passion, would formed of a garland of flowers made self. The chiefs complain that their effect was like sculpture and the illu-The President's first batch of recess nominations went to the Senate on Thursday for confirmation. It compossessed by the Free State. Quite the contrary. They have 200,000 men who intend to make things pleasant around Boma if their masters do not grouped, made also out of the white

The tree held at the top a large frosted white star. The branches and foli-A dashing Washington widow, who age were covered with flour or some had received marked attentions from a substance which produced the effect of very popular and gallant physician, found herself suddenly deserted. Her was white paper snowbells, which Esculapius, aged fifty-two, was com- nodded in graceful profusion on all pletely enthrailed by a beauty of eighteen and on Christmas morning the wedding took place with all due pomp.

Wormwood for the widow. She swallength is been all the widow.

lowed it bravely, wore an undaunted Home-made gifts are of all articles front, and was among the first to offer the most to be appreciated, They are inwrought with love, enthusiasm and hurried congratulations to the happy pair. The conversation turned upon Christmas gifts, and the bride said, patience, and their value is above any laughing gayly: "All my wedding presents were sent just before Christmas, so on Christmas morning I had not a single gift." "Ah! my dear, that is cruel; you had me," said the bridegroom, reproachfully. Before the pretty bride could answer, the widow's eyes grew dangerous, and, swinging "I did not know whether you were going to keep Christmas or not, but as my little friends make each other presents on Christmas, I thought—I wondered if you would let me bring you a Christmas gift?"

"A Christmas gift?" whispered Elsie convulsively, pulling away at her thin throat. "Why—why. you're not—Santa Claus?" said she, half fearing lest her new-found friend was mocking the call—Boston Heraid.

"Burely, but had he, groom, reproachfully. Before the pretagroom, reproachfully. Before the pretagroom of loving labor and feels warm and his equation of loving labor and feels warm and his equation